

**IOWA SENATE**  
**Appointee Questionnaire**

Received  
Apr 09 2021  
SENATE  
State of Iowa

Return to: Secretary of the Senate  
Statehouse  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Veterans Affairs, Commission of

Body/position to which you have been appointed

Please answer all questions on this form. Answer "none" or "non-applicable" where appropriate.

1. Title Mr First Gary Last Wattnem

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Home County Cerro Gordo

Home Congressional District 4th

State Senator Amanda Ragan

State Representative Sharon Steckman

Voter Registration ☐ Democrat ☒ Republican ☐ Libertarian ☐ Other ☐ Independent/No Party

Name of Spouse Vicki Wattnem

Spouse's occupation Retired

2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

High School Estelline South Dakota

Higher Education South Dakota State University

3. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present Employer Retired

Occupation N/A

Summary of Duties and Responsibilities

N/A

Former Employment (past three positions)

1. Reichert Technologies
2. United States Army Reserve
3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. ORGANIZATIONS: (include dates of membership, offices held and purpose of organization)

Mason City Airport Commission (1998-present, Chair pro-tem, manage airport)  
Kiwanis (1988-present, President, Membership Chair, service club)  
Reserve Officers Association (1974-present, State Chair, military outreach)

5. Why do you want to become a member of this board or commission?

I have served on the Veteran's Commission for one term and because of that experience, I can continue to add to our mission of serving veterans in Iowa. I have 35 years of service in the US Army and can relate to the needs of veterans.

6. Do you know why you were nominated to the board or commission?

I was nominated to represent the Reserve Officers Association.

7. If you were appointed to a licensing or examining board, have you ever been in contact with this board? If so, give details of contact.

N/A

8. Do you know of any conflicts you have or may have in serving as a member of this board or commission? If so, please qualify.

None

9. Do you know any of the other appointees to this board or commission or any of its present members? If so, please give their names and your association with them.

Orene Cressler - Currently serving with her  
Kenneth LLoyd - Currently serving with him  
Carol Whitmore - Currently serving with her  
Elizabeth Ledvina - Currently serving with her  
Gregory Pauline - Currently serving with him